EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HIRED

This is my first newsletter and I am excited! I would like to take this opportunity to tell you a little about myself and to share with you my enthusiasm for the Museum.

My family history spans several generations in Oregon and I have lived here most of my life. I've spent the last 10 years working in both the public and private sectors. During the 1981 and 1983 legislative sessions, I lobbied for higher education and student concerns which led to management positions in private businesses.

I've spent some time traveling in different parts of the world and found that my favorite place to come home to is Oregon. Now I am able to join a very dedicated group of individuals on a project that will not only benefit aviation lovers but also educate the public and preserve the rich history of aviation here in our state. I feel that my skills as a manager have prepared me for upcoming challenges as Director of the Museum, but I am still learning about the world of aviation, so please share your ideas, comments and expertise with me.

Through a generous donation of space by Jerry Marshall of Cottage Grove Aviation, you have an office to bring your information and donations to and a phone number to call with your ideas and questions. The office began functioning early in June, so stop by, look us over, see just where the Museum will be located, and if you're feeling ambitious, help with some clean-up, repairs and painting before we get completely settled in.

I believe visiting a museum should be a rewarding experience, one that leaves you with a sense of excitement and, if we have done our job properly a desire to learn more about the subject. I feel the Oregon Aviation Museum will be able to accomplish this thanks to all its members and their continued support. I look forward to working for you!

CYNTHIA BOUNDS

PRESIDENT'S NOTE: Oregon Aviation Museum, Inc. has just hired an Executive Director. The Trustees are very pleased to introduce to the members, Cynthia Bounds. We hope you will have an opportunity to meet and talk with her soon.

MUSEUM ROAD SHOW SCHEDULE

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If you plan to attend any of these events, please contact Cynthia Bounds at the OAM office (503) 942-9129 so that she can schedule your help with the Museum booth.
WE'VE GOT AN OFFICE !!!

Thanks to Jerry Marshall, the FBO at Cottage Grove Airport, the Museum has a place to hang its hat and display some of the artifacts which have been collected. Jerry made the mezzanine office available June 1 and by golly we even have a telephone. (503) 942-9129.

The PO box will be kept for a while but the new address is 78833 Airport Road, Cottage Grove, OR 97424. Be sure and stop by if you're in the area. Summer office hours are 10 am to 4 pm, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday...the rest of the week is spent getting ready for or attending fly-in events.

Some furniture and equipment has already been donated for the office but several items are still needed:

- bookcase
- file cabinet
- typewriter
- copy machine
- calculator
- table lamp
- answering machine

If you can contribute any of the items listed, or have other things you think may be of use in the office, please give Cynthia Bounds a call, or drop a note to OAM at the above address. Items you have will be picked up if you desire.

OAM's newest Trustee Allen Alsing recently closed a 36 year career in Engineering and Public Works when he retired as City Engineer from the City of Ashland. A 1951 Civil Engineering graduate of Oregon State University, Allen has been active and filled leadership roles in a number of state and national engineering organizations and in 1985 was selected as one of the top ten Public Works Leaders in the nation.

Responsible for the oversight of design, construction, maintenance and operation of City facilities, budgeting and personnel, Allen was also staff advisor and secretary to the Ashland Airport Commission.

In addition to his technical experience and ability, Allen brings a background in civic service which includes leadership in the Oregon Shakespearean Festival Association, the United Fund, the Oregon Institute of Technology, and the Oregon Association of Retarded Citizens. A Registered Professional Engineer and Professional Land Surveyor in the State, OAM's new Trustee is also a Private Pilot and Master Mason in Ashland Lodge, No. 23 AF&AM.

NEW MEMBERS AND CONTRIBUTORS SINCE MARCH

- Neil Christensen
- Charles S. Farris
- Robert Gundelach
- Elizabeth Johnson
- Bud E. Jury
- Mars Inc.
- Guy Martin
- Jerry Marshall
- James Moskal
- Sally R. Plumley
- Harold Thompson
- Evelyn Smith
- Dennis Whittington
- Donald & Maryland Johnson
- Emerald Valley Soaring Club
- Douglas Pauley Memorial
- Carroll Pope Memorial
AIRPORT DAY FEATURES GREAT TOWER MOVING SPECTACLE

The Oregon Aviation Museum and Cottage Grove Aviation is holding an "Airport and Museum Day" the Cottage Grove Airport on Saturday, July 22 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm as a fund raising event for OAM. Breakfast will be served from 8 to 11 am for $2.50. Museum artifacts will be on display as well as privately owned antique and classic aircraft. Airplane rides will be available for a donation to OAM and novelty items will be on sale. There is no charge for admission.

One of the high points of the day will be the moving of an airway beacon tower that has been on a hill northwest of Cottage Grove since 1926, to the Cottage Grove Airport where it will be restored and become a feature on the Museum grounds. Erickson Air Crane, Inc. of Central Point, is providing a sky crane and pilot to move the tower. Guy Martin, pilot for Erickson, is coordinating the project with the assistance of Wil Heath, OAM Trustee, and with the cooperation of the Oregon Aeronautics Division and the Oregon State Police (yep they will close I-5 for a few minutes of this operation).

During the 1920's, airway beacons were placed at seven mile intervals from Portland to Medford to guide airmail pilots. Once radio navigation came on the scene, the CAA, then FAA abandoned the towers and they became the property of whoever owned the land on which they stood. This tower has been donated to the Oregon Aviation Museum by the present owner, Clyde Bivens. OAM is most grateful to Mr. Bivens for making this piece of aviation history available to OAM, and Erickson Air Crane, Inc. for moving the classic we hope many of you will be present for this history-making event. Volunteers are needed to help with this event...if you plan to be there and can help, please call the Museum office (503) 942-9129.

MUSEUM OPENS EXHIBIT SEASON

The OAM presented its first exhibit of the summer at the Rose Festival Airshow on June 10 & 11. The public response was overwhelming. Approximately 1500 visitors came by on Saturday and Sunday to learn about the museum, and over 1000 brochures were handed out. Director Cynthia Bounds and volunteers were on hand to answer questions and talk with people.

A special thanks to volunteers Malcolm Buffum, Brad Chapman, Pam Parrish, Don and Tim Klopfenstein, Jerry Marshall, Ann Ritchey, and Peter Stack.

The Museum plans a similar booth almost every weekend through Labor Day. (see the Road Show schedule elsewhere in this issue) If you can help with any of these, please let Cynthia know.

PAUL SHARP with his WACO....one of the great pictures of early aviation that Betty Sharp recently donated to the Museum.
PORTLAND AREA MEMBERS GET TOGETHER IN APRIL

The Cedar Room on Sylvania campus of Portland Community College was the place on Saturday morning April 29 for a bunch of OAM members who live in the tri-county area to get acquainted, learn of current museum activity and see that great video taped historical epic "The Beaverton Outlaws".

OAM Trustees Carol and Hal Skinner, Tim Talen, Al Grell and Elwood Hedberg were on hand to report on plans for property acquisition, the initial $250k fund drive, Senate Bill 691, moving the airway beacon tower and hiring an Executive Director. Some new members were signed up and several volunteers were recruited to help with the OAM booth at the Rose Festival Airshow in June. Chuck Natzel's JN-4 was on hand together with several gallons of coffee and piles of donuts...those who were not able to attend missed a great time.

Although attendance was not as large as hoped, (it was a gorgeous morning, and many were out flying or otherwise engaged) the response and interest of those who did make the meeting was high and it was felt by all that a similar scheduled meeting of area members should be planned in the future...in fact it was suggested that regional meetings of this type be considered for other parts of Oregon as well.

CAROL SKINNER ASKS

A PRESIDENTIAL QUESTION

Remember the pledge card you received for the Pioneer Capital Campaign of OAM? Have you made your pledge and sent it back to OAM? No? Why not? Some members may not realize the significant progress which has been made toward establishing Oregon's own aviation museum these past few months.

The next twelve months are a critical time in the planning schedule with land to be purchased, initial engineering to be done for the building, and the continued acquisition and restoration of artifacts. The Trustees of OAM are seeking several avenues of funding including outright grants and Economic Development Funds from the State, but some funding must come from people who are most interested and believe strongly in the establishment of the Oregon Aviation Museum...the members. As members we must be among the first to support the museum with our dollars, so that others will want to contribute and that our credibility and strength of commitment will be apparent to those from whom we are seeking large donations and grants.

As your president, I ask that you give serious thought to your investment in OAM. Fill in your pledge card, include a check for the full amount or initial installment, and send it at once to Oregon Aviation Museum, 7833 Airport Road, Cottage Grove, OR 97424. A $200 annual pledge is less than $17 per month...isn't having an aviation museum of our own worth $17 a month?

IN THE SENTINEL'S OPINION...

On April 3 the Oregon Senate Transportation Committee held a hearing on Senate Bill 691 which would have designated the Oregon Aviation Museum as an official state aviation museum. The bill was not passed out of Committee due, in part, to some questionable testimony by the Oregon Air Museum. The editorial below appeared in THE COTTAGE GROVE SENTINEL on April 4, and is reprinted with permission. We think it sums up the matter very well.

AVIATION MUSEUM DESERVES SUPPORT

The proposed Oregon Aviation Museum has already gone over some hurdles as organizers attempt to establish the facility at Cottage Grove. Another stumbling block appeared Monday when a bill introduced by Sen. Peg Jolln, D-Cottage Grove, designed to give the museum a boost ran into some stormy skies during a Senate Transportation Committee hearing. Jolln's bill would make the proposed facility a state museum. While it does not ask the state for any funding, being designated a state museum would allow organizers to apply for grants in the future.

Oregon Aviation Museum President Carol Skinner added that the bill, if passed, would encourage people with historical aviation artifacts to place them in the museum.

However, representatives of a similar facility near Mahlon Sweet Airport in Eugene objected to the bill.

Reports indicated that they felt acknowledging a facility that does not yet exist as a state museum was premature. Opponents contend that the museum must be established and in good standing first. We say phooey on that argument. The state designation can be most beneficial to the Oregon Aviation Museum now, in its infancy. When it gets established and becomes a unique and popular tourist attraction in Cottage Grove, it won't need the help.

The state wouldn't be committed to one dime of funding by passing Jolln's bill. It would just give a unique and worthwhile endeavor a deserving boost.
In 1983 Oregon Aviation Museum was established as a non-profit corporation in the State of Oregon. With the support of Neil Goldschmidt and the Oregon Aeronautics Division, we are ready to construct a building, near the Cottage Grove Airport.

Gary Moye's museum design places four distinct building elements on the site to maximize exhibit area and outside the building, and to provide access from both land and air. Hangar elements of different lengths join a circulation gallery which connects an observation area near the south end of the Cottage Grove airport with a support building, providing space for administration, library, auditorium, gift shop and restrooms.

The goals of the Oregon Aviation Museum are to develop a new, exciting Museum and tourist center of the highest quality, to display aviation artifacts, to interpret and educate in a meaningful way, and to preserve our rich aviation heritage for future generations.
The group of four hangar elements can be built in stages. Modules of each hangar, the second floor of the support building, the entry plaza, restoration shops and the observation area are all designed for phased development scheduled as finances permit.

Circulation Gallery

Each hangar gallery is designed to accommodate modular exhibit space, and full size aircraft at eye level or hanging from a specially lighted vaulted ceiling.

YES ... I WANT TO HELP!

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I wish to be a Museum contributor:

$1,000  $500  $100  $50  $25  $10  $5  Other

I wish to become a Museum member:

$10 Annual Associate  $25 Annual Family  $50 Annual Sustaining  $250 Lifetime  $500 & Up Patron

Send to: OREGON AVIATION MUSEUM, INC., 78833 Airport Road, Cottage Grove, OR 97424

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